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COUNTRY Rumania

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SUBJECT

Analysis of Rumanian Slivowitz (Plum Brandy)

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1. The reported results of the tests conducted are as follows:

Proof

59.6

Methanol

.32%

Alkaloids

none

Other poisonous substances

none

Character

This beverage exhibits the character

of a raw fruit distillate.

General

The sample appears to have been stored in wood as tests do not reveal the presence

of caramel.

- 2. The conclusions drawn from the reported tests are as follows:
 - a. The sample is low in proof by US standards for a fruit brandy, as such brandies are required to exhibit 82 proof according to USA minimum standards.
 - b. The methanol content is high but not beyond the acceptable range for potable brandies according to US standards. The methanol content of various American brandies ranges from .01% to as high as .60%.

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